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Gilans Bid Farewell To 986 Segregants

Nine hundred and eighty six Gilans left for Tule Lake this week in the first two of four movements which will transfer nearly 2000 residents to the segregation center in California.

A convoy of some 40 G.I. trucks and nine baggage trucks drove out of Rivers to the Casa Grande railroad.

Hugo Wolter, community management head, asks that friends say goodbye to segregants the night before departure so that the speed of loading can be increased. Everything went as planned and scheduled, Wolter said.

Malcolm Pitts, WRA representative of Fort Douglas, Utah, arrived here Thursday to witness the first movement from Gila. Pitts is assistant director of the WRA in charge of the segregation program. He has visited all relocation centers where segregation movements have taken place.

LEAVE SCORE

THIS WEEK:

47 indefinites

30 seasonals

3 short terms

986 segregated

TOTAL:

1,547 indefinites

288 seasonals

34 short terms

POPULATION:

10,693

SPECIAL PERMISSION ALLOWS WAR WORK FOR RESETTLERS

Resettled evacuees who are without war plant clearance may be able to work in war plants by special permission secured from the local army district security officer by their prospective employers, according to the latest instructions received from Director D. S. Myer.

It was stressed that such clearances are good for that job only. Ad-

vance war plant clearance --Form 258B--is required as clearance for employment in any war plant.

At present some 2000 nisei--selected on the basis of their personal records and histories and occupational backgrounds--are being processed by the Joint Board for war plant clearance. About 200 to 300 are being cleared monthly, said Myer.

This list of 2000 individuals has been sent to all project directors. Myer said that it will be of no use for persons not on the list to seek clearance, because the Joint Board is not prepared to handle any additional persons at present.

In the same instructions Myer disclosed that some 16,000 persons have been cleared for residence and work in the Eastern Defense Command. EDC clearances are being processed automatically from leave clearance questionnaires. Residents under 17 years of age need no clearance. Aliens who are not being processed automatically must request for such clearance.

16 mm. Projector Needed At School

A 16mm. sound projector to be used to show educational and vocational films at night school is being sought by Dr. Monika Kehoe, adult education director. Anyone willing to loan or sell same is asked to contact Miss Kehoe. A contract guaranteeing express charges and good repair will be drawn if rented.

Thunder Will Work In Canal

Margaret Thunder, welfare assistant to William Tuttle, will be at the Canal social service department on full time beginning Monday.

Several welfare workers are needed to replace men who have relocated, said Tuttle, will be at the be interested in people and their problems, and should apply at Social Service department.

Appointed Staff Exceeds Quota

As the nation's fifteen billion dollar war bond drive ended Thursday, Rivers' appointed personnel had plunked down \$12,275, approximately 30% of the gross September payrolls of the entire staff.

The quota for Rivers appointed staff had been set at \$12,000. It was disclosed that the staff after subtracting an additional 20% for the withholding tax and 5% for retirement tax, had an average of 45% of their total September payrolls left.

ONE-MAN BOND DRIVE

Eikichi Toshima, 40-11-B, has invested \$10,000 in United States war bonds.

Thursday afternoon, elderly Toshima, former vegetable farmer from Arroyo Grande, walked into the Rivers post office, laid a \$6,000 check across the bond window, took his receipt, and walked out

without saying another word to the astonished attendant. Toshima had invested \$4,000 in bonds while at Arroyo Grande.

Newspapermen from Tucson, attracted by the unusual purchase, arrived on the scene to take a photograph of Toshima buying the bond.